

AMENDMENTS

In the Claims

Please delete claim 6 without prejudice.

Please amend claims 1, 3, 11, 23 and 24 as follows.

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1. (Twice Amended) A surface-mountable electrical circuit protection device comprising:  
a first polymeric PTC element having first and second surfaces, a first electrode attached to the first surface;  
a second polymeric PTC element having first and second surfaces, a second electrode attached to the second surface;  
a third electrode positioned between the first and second polymeric PTC elements, the third electrode connected to the second surface of the first polymeric PTC element and the first surface of the second polymeric PTC element;  
the first polymeric PTC element being in direct contact with the second polymeric PTC element;  
a first electrically conductive end termination wrapping around a first end of the device and electrically contacting the first and second electrodes;  
a second electrically conductive end termination wrapping around a second end of the device and electrically contacting the third electrode;  
wherein an electrically insulating layer is deposited on the first and second electrodes between the first and second end termination.

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3. (Amended) The device of Claim 2, wherein the main portions of the first and second electrodes are physically separated from the sub-portions, respectively.

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11. (Twice Amended) The device of Claim 2, wherein the electrically insulating layer is in direct contact with the first PTC element between the main portion and the sub-portion of the first electrode and is in direct contact with the second PTC element between the main portion and the sub-portion of the second electrode.

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23. (Amended) A surface-mountable electrical circuit protection device comprising:  
a first polymeric PTC element and a second polymeric PTC element, the first polymeric PTC element having first and second surfaces, a first electrode attached to the first surface and

the second polymeric PTC element having first and second surfaces, a second electrode attached to the second surface;

a third electrode positioned between the first and second polymeric PTC elements, the third electrode connected to the second surface of the first polymeric PTC element and the first surface of the second polymeric PTC element;

the first polymeric PTC element directly contacting the second polymeric PTC element;

a first electrically conductive end termination wrapping around a first end of the device and electrically contacting the first and second electrodes; and

a second electrically conductive end termination wrapping around a second end of the device and electrically contacting the third electrode.

24. (Amended) A surface-mountable electrical circuit protection device comprising:

a first polymeric PTC element having first and second surfaces, a first electrode attached to the first surface;

a second polymeric PTC element having first and second surfaces, a second electrode attached to the second surface;

a third electrode positioned between the first and second polymeric PTC elements, the third electrode connected to the second surface of the first polymeric PTC element and the first surface of the second polymeric PTC element, the third electrode further being in electrical communication with the first electrode through the first polymeric PTC element and with the second electrode through the second polymeric PTC element;

the first polymeric PTC element in contact with the second polymeric PTC element between the first and second electrodes;

a first electrically conductive end termination wrapping around a first end of the device and electrically contacting the first and second electrodes; and

a second electrically conductive end termination wrapping around a second end of the device and electrically contacting the third electrode.

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